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¶1. (SBU) In a July 24 meeting with General Abizaid (other issues to be reported septel), Deputy Foreign Minister Kairat Abdrakhmanov stated that the five countries of Central Asia intend to sign the Central Asian Nuclear Weapons Free Zone (CANWFZ) Treaty on September 8.

¶2. (SBU) Abdrakhmanov did not say where the signing would take place.

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